

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

In Re: Joint Application and Petition of)	Docket No. 2017-370-E
South Carolina Electric & Gas Company)	
and Dominion Energy, Incorporated for)	
Review and Approval of a Proposed)	
Business Combination between SCANA)	
Corporation and Dominion Energy,)	
Incorporated, as May Be Required, and)	
for a Prudency Determination Regarding)	
the Abandonment of the V.C. Summer)	
Units 2 & 3 Project and Associated)	
Customer Benefits and Cost Recovery)	
Plans)	

JOINT PETITION TO INTERVENE OF

THE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC.

AND CENTRAL ELECTRIC POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.

Pursuant to Public Service Commission Regulation 103-825, and other applicable provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, The Electric Cooperatives of South Carolina, Inc. ("ECSC") and Central Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. ("Central") (jointly referred to as the "Petitioners") hereby file this Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this Petition, ECSC and Central state as follows:

1. ECSC consists of member electric cooperatives organized in the State of South Carolina and serves as a legal and regulatory representative of its member electric cooperatives. ECSC is the state-wide service and trade association for electric cooperatives in the state comprised of twenty consumer-owned electric cooperatives, one wholesale power supply cooperative (Central) and one materials supply cooperative. Together, ECSC's members operate the largest electric distribution system in the state. More than 1.5 million South Carolinians in

all 46 counties use electricity from electric cooperatives. ECSC's principal place of business and mailing address is 808 Knox Abbot Drive, Cayce, South Carolina 29033.

2. Central is a generation and transmission electric cooperative formed under S.C. Code Section 33-49-10, *et seq.* Central's principal place of business is 20 Cooperative Way, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Central's mailing address is P.O. Box 1455, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. Central is engaged in the purchase, transmission and sale of electric power to twenty (20) distribution electric cooperatives throughout the State of South Carolina. Central's distribution cooperative members provide electric power to over 700,000 homes, businesses, and industrial members throughout all 46 South Carolina counties and a small portion of North Carolina.

3. ECSC and Central have a substantial interest in the issues to be considered in this proceeding. The construction of V.C. Summer Units 2 and 3 at Jenkinsville ("the Project") was a joint project of South Carolina Electric & Gas ("SCE&G") and the Public Service Authority of South Carolina ("Santee Cooper"). Under a contract between Central and Santee Cooper, Central and the members of ECSC have been paying for approximately seventy percent of Santee Cooper's capital costs, including the Project. That contractual relationship gives ECSC and Central a direct and significant interest in this proceeding in which the Commission will consider the abandonment of the Project and what abandonment costs should be borne by ratepayers of SCE&G. Determinations made in this proceeding may have an impact on the issues of whether and to what extent cooperative members must pay expenses related to the Project.

4. Pursuant to Rule R. 103-804(S) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Petitioners are represented by counsel in this proceeding:

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WHEREFORE, Petitioners request that they be allowed to intervene in this docket, with full rights to participate as a party of record, including, but not limited to, the ability to engage in discovery and participate in all hearings by offering testimony and exhibits and cross-examining witnesses. Petitioners request the receipt of all notices, documents, exhibits and data submitted by all parties and the Commission's staff.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that I, Toni C. Hawkins, a Paralegal with the law firm of Sowell, Gray, Stepp & Laffitte, LLC, have this day, February 12, 2018, caused to be served upon the person(s) named below the **Joint Petition to Intervene of The Electric Cooperatives of South Carolina, Inc. and Central Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.** in the foregoing matter by US Mail and/or electronic mail as follows:

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